

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 81 remain in this application. Claims 56 – 81 have been added.

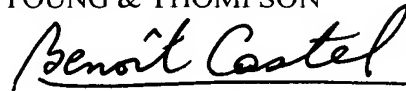
Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit counsel's Deposit Account No. 25-0120, the sum of **\$2,900.00** as follows: \$1,600.00 under fee code 1614 for 8 additional independent claims, and \$1,300.00 under fee code 1615 for 26 additional total claims.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,
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